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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from the People's Republic of China:  
Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Expedited Review

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is conducting an expedited review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on certain carbon and alloy steel cut-to-length plate (CTL plate) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, period of review (POR). We preliminarily determine that Jiangsu Tiangong Tools Company Limited (TG Tools) received countervailable subsidies during the POR.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kabir Archuletta, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2593.

Scope of the Order

The product covered by this order is CTL plate. A full description of the scope of the order is contained in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, which is hereby adopted by this notice.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See Memorandum, "Preliminary Results of Expedited Review of the Countervailing Duty Order on Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

## Methodology

On March 20, 2017, Commerce issued a countervailing duty order on CTL plate from China.<sup>2</sup> Commerce is conducting this CVD expedited review in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(k). For a full description of the methodology underlying our preliminary conclusions, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. The list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an Appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically *via* Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov>, and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html>. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

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<sup>2</sup> *See Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order*, 82 FR 14346 (March 20, 2017).

### Preliminary Results of Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine the following countervailable subsidy rate:

<b>Company</b>	<b>Subsidy Rate</b>
Jiangsu Tiangong Tools Company Limited, Tiangong Aihe Company Limited, Jiangsu Tiangong Group Company Limited, Jiangsu Tiangong Mould Steel R&D Center Company Limited	29.43 percent

### Disclosure and Public Comment

Commerce will disclose to parties to this proceeding the calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results within five days of publication of this notice.<sup>3</sup> Interested parties may submit case briefs within 30 days of publication of these preliminary results and rebuttal briefs no later than five days after the deadline for filing case briefs.<sup>4</sup> Rebuttal briefs must be limited to issues raised in the case briefs.<sup>5</sup> Parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs are requested to submit with the argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and, (3) a table of authorities.<sup>6</sup> Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must do so within 30 days of publication of these preliminary results by submitting a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, filed electronically using ACCESS. Requests should contain the party's name, address, and telephone number; the number of participants; and a list of the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, we will inform parties of the scheduled date for the hearing which will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401

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<sup>3</sup> See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

<sup>4</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii) and (d)(1).

<sup>5</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d)(2).

<sup>6</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, at a time and location to be determined.

Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

Unless the deadline is extended pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(h)(i)(2), Commerce will issue the final results of this expedited review, including the results of its analysis of issues raised in any written briefs, within 90 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results.

#### Cash Deposit Instructions

Pursuant to section 19 CFR 351.214(k)(3)(iii), the final results of this expedited review will not be the basis for the assessment of countervailing duties. Upon issuing the final results, Commerce intends to instruct Customs and Border Protection to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties for the companies subject to this expedited review, at the rates shown above, on shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this expedited review.

These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(k)(3)(iv), however, if TG Tools has a final estimated net subsidy rate that is zero or *de minimis*, it will be excluded from the order.

This determination is issued and published pursuant to sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(h) and (k).

*Dated: March 15, 2018.*

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for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations,  
performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the  
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

## **Appendix**

### **List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum**

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